

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

**Please amend the following paragraph beginning at page 9, line 26 as follows.**

The music score information is processed by the score melody processing module ~~82-52~~ followed by keyword generation module 54. The two modules will be illustrated by individual figures. (Fig 4 and Fig 5). After the score keywords are extracted 54, they can be indexed 56 for the purpose of efficient storage and searching of the score database.

**Please amend the following paragraph beginning at page 10, line 14 as follows.**

Fig. 5 illustrates the flowchart of the score keywords generation. After the peaks and valleys of the score curve are detected 68, for each peak and each valley, a value is calculated 70. For a peak, the value is the difference between its immediate following valley and itself, and the value is positive. For a valley, the value is the difference between its immediate following peak and itself, and it is a negative value. The sequence of values of the peaks and valleys are the first part of the features used in music retrieval. The lower picture in Fig 6 (a) shows the peaks and valleys together with their associated values.